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Applicants

Jason Hill et al.

Application No.

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For

NOVEL LIPOPEPTIDES AS ANTIBACTERIAL

AGENTS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This Response is filed in response to the Office Action mailed October 17, 2002 (Paper No. 8) in the above-identified application. Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group 5 for examination on the merits.

A petition for a one month extension of time is being filed concurrently herewith, along with the appropriate small entity fee.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 3, 4, 13, 14, 28 and 29 without prejudice.